

# AARDVARK - 8 BIT PROCESSOR

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## 1 HARDWARE OVERVIEW

We are designing an 8-bit processor. Each instruction is 1 byte long. The main memory is word addressable while the instruction memory is byte addressable. There are 4 addressable registers: \$s1 (00), \$s2 (01), \$sp (10) and \$ra (11). \$slt\_0 and \$slt\_1 cannot be addressed directly, but rather utilized for jumping purposes.

## 2 CORE INSTRUCTION SET

NAME,MNEUMONIC	FORMAT	OPERATIONS	OPCODE	FUNCT
ADD add	R	$R[rs] = R[rs] + R[rt]$	000	n/a
NAND nand	R	$R[rs] =$ $NAND(R[rs],R[rt])$	001	n/a
SET LESS THAN (slt_0)	R	$R[rs] < R[rt] ? 1 : 0$	010	0
SET LESS THAN (slt_1)	R	$R[rs] < R[rt] ? 1 : 0$	010	1
SHIFT LEFT sl	R	$R[rs] = R[rt] \ll 1$	011	0
SHIFT RIGHT sr	R	$R[rs] = R[rt] \gg 1$	011	1
LOAD WORD lw	I	$R[rs] = Mem(R[sp] +$ immediate)	100	0
SAVE WORD sw	I	$Mem(R[sp] +$ immediate) = $R[rs]$	100	1
ADDI addi	I	$R[rs] = R[rs] +$ immediate	101	n/a
BRANCH IF EQUAL beq	J	if $R[slt_0]=R[slt_1]$ ; PC = PC+immediate	110	n/a
JUMP AND LINK jal	J	$R[ra]=PC+2$ ; PC = PC+immediate	111	0
JUMP REGISTER jr	JR	PC = $R[ra]$	*000	1

\* jump register can only jump to  $R[ra]$  and has the instruction as 00010011.

## 3 BASIC INSTRUCTION FORMAT

Type	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
R	opcode		func	rs		rt		
I	opcode		immediate			rs		
J	opcode		immediate					
JR	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1

## 4 SAMPLE CODE

To demonstrate the functionality of the instruction set, three sets of codes were written. The first piece of code demonstrates basic arithmetic operations, including addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The second and third sets of code demonstrate the summation from 1 to 10. The former performs the procedure recursively, the second performs the procedure non-recursively. Complementary C code is also provided for comparison.

### 4.1 ARITHMETIC CODE

#### 4.1.1 Arithmetic Code in C

```
int mult(int a, int b)
{
    int c = a * b;
    return c;
}
int div(int a, int b)
{
    int c = a / b;
    return c;
}
```

#### 4.1.2 Arithmetic Code in Assembly

```
#a = $s1, b = $s2
sw 0, $ra
sw 1, $s1
sw 2, $s2
lw 0, $s1 #this will act as the sum, eventually getting the product

addition:
add $s1, $s2
sw 3, $s1

multiplication:
lw 2, $s2
addi -1, $s2 #decrease b by one each time
sw 2, $s2
slt_0 $ra, $s2 #if 0 < b add again
lw 1, $s2 #put a into s2
lw 3, $s1
beq addition
lw 2, $ra
```

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```
#a = $s1, b = $s2

sw 0, $ra
sw 1, $ra
```

```

sw 2, $s2
sw 3, $s3

```

*subtraction:*

```

lw 3, $s1
nand $s2, $s2
addi 1, $s2
add $s1, $s2
sw 3, $s1

```

*division:*

```

lw 3, $s2 #check if it has subtracted enough times
slt_0 $ra, $s2 # 0 < sum
lw 1, $s1
addi 1, $s1
sw 1, $s1
lw 2, $s2 #put b into s2 for subtraction
beq subtraction
lw 1, $s1
addi -1, $s1 #it always overshoots by one
sw 1, $s1
lw 1, $ra

```

## 4.2 NON-RECURSIVE CODE

### 4.2.1 Non-Recursive Code in C

```

function()
{
  int i, sum;
  int n = 10;
  for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
  {
    sum += i;
  }
}

```

### 4.2.2 Non-Recursive Code in Assembly

function:

```

nand $s1, $s1
nand $s2, $s2
sl $s1, $s1
nand $s2 $s1    # i($s2) = 1
sw 0, $s2      # store i

nand $s1, $s1    #s1 becomes 1
sr $s1, $s1     #initialize sum($s1) = 0
sw 1, $s1       #store sum($s1) into offset 1 of $sp

```

```

add $s1, $s2      #n = 1
sl $s1, $s1
sl $s1, $s1
sl $s1, $s1      #n = 2^3 * n
add $s1, $s2      #n = 9
add $s1, $s2      #n($s1) = 10
sw 2, $s1         #save 10 to memory

nand $s1, $s1
nand $s2, $s2
sl $s1, $s1
nand $s1 $s2      # $s1 = 1
sw 3, $s1         #store value 1

```

LOOP:

```

lw 2, $s1         #load n
slt_0 $s2, $s1    # i < n
slt_1 $s1, $s2    # i > n
beq END          #if i = n, go to END
lw 0, $s2         #load i
lw 1, $s1         #load sum
add $s1, $s2      #sum($s1) += i
sw 1, $s1
lw 3, $s1
lw 0, $s2         #load i to $s2
add $s2, $s1      # i = i + 1
jal LOOP

```

END:

```
lw 1, $s1
```

## 4.3 RECURSIVE CODE

### 4.3.1 Recursive Code in C

```

int sum(int n)
{
    if (n > 1){
        return n+sum(n-1);
    }
    return 1;
}

```

### 4.3.2 Recursive Code in Assembly

```

function:
nand $s1, $s1
nand $s2, $s2
sl $s1, $s1
nand $s2 $s1

```

```

nand $s1, $s1          #s1 = -2
sw 0, $s2              #save n in $s2 to memory

#then follows to sum (recursion)
sum:
    add $sp, $s1        #adjust stack for 2 items $s1 = -2
    sw 1, $ra          #save return address to memory
    sw 2, $s2          #save current n to memory
    nand $s1, $s1      #s1 becomes 1
    sw 3, $s1          #saves $s1 (= 1)
    slt_0 $s1, $s2     #slt_0=n > 1?, 0:1
    slt_1 $s2, $s1     #slt_1=n>1?, 0:1
    beq END           #if n < 1, jump to L1

    nand $s1, $s1      #s1 = -2
    lw 3, $s2          #load 1 into $s2
    add $s1, $s2       #s1 = -1
    lw 2, $s2          #load n into $s2
    add $s2, $s1       #decrement n by 1
    jal sum            #recursive call

    lw 3, $s1
    add $sp, $s1       #pop 2 items from stack (s1 needs to be 1)
    add $sp, $s1
    lw 1, $ra          #restore return address
    lw 0, $s1          #restore original n to s1
    add $s2, $s1       #s2 = s2 + s1
    jr $ra            #return to calling address

END:
    jr $ra            #return 0 if n is not > 1

```